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STATE PLAN TO MONETIZE CREDIT TO BE SUBMITTED Federal Farm Debt Legislation to Be Amended

PLAN EXPECTED IN ASSEMBLY AFTER COURT DECISION

To Monetize Credit of Province
by Issue of Bearer Bonds,
Is Stated

ON MONEY RESERVE

Bonds Four to One or More on
Basis of Monetary Reserve
for Redemption

By C. H. STOUT

Special to The Western Farm Leader

EDMONTON, Feb. 16th.—Suggested by technical adviser L. D. Byrne of the Social Credit Board, it is stated a scheme to monetize the credit of the Province in a manner closely akin to currency is expected to appear in the Legislature immediately following the Supreme Court judgment at Ottawa on Alberta's disputed bank control and taxation measures of last session.

The scheme, forecast in the speech of James Hartley, S.C., Macleod, in moving a resolution in reply to the speech from the throne, is said to be based on the issuance of bearer bonds by the Provincial Treasurer in various convenient denominations making them readily negotiable, providing the people accept them without question.

Basis Four to One

Generally the issue will be four to one or more on a reserve in real money set aside for redemption purposes from revenue account. For instance, if one million dollars were provided for redemption on demand, four million dollars in bonds might be placed in circulation. The Government pins hopes to the plan as a step toward the introduction of a long-promised new economic and social order.

Probably the new "credit instrument" would be used principally in highway construction work, but it is also expected that other Government payments for purposes inside the Province would largely be made by the bonds. Rigid silence has been maintained in Government circles regarding the scheme, but it is learned that details have been carefully worked out and legislation shortly will be ready for the house.

In the meantime with the budget torn apart by caucus criticism and likely to be delayed some days, the Legislature is virtually without any work to occupy its attention.

TO RESUME SEARCH

EDMONTON, Feb. 16th.—Sir Hubert Wilkins left here today for Aklavik, where he will resume his search for the lost Russian fliers.

Provision of bomb and gas-proof shelters throughout Paris is being carried on rapidly by the civic authorities.

"Purged" German Army



Heinrich Himmler, head of Nazi secret police and Hitler's guard of 600,000 Blackshirts, who was reported to have been the main instrument used to purge the German army of high officers known to be against Hitler's adventure in Spain, and to have advised that Germany was not ready to meet the stress of war on its eastern frontier.

Sales Tax Unlikely to Be Restored Now

Levy of \$23,000,000 Expected in
Alberta Budget—On
Orthodox Lines

By C. H. STOUT

Special to The Western Farm Leader

EDMONTON, Feb. 16th.—Naturally all mention of the year's budget, expected to appear in the Legislature shortly, is met with no little shush, shushing in government circles, as is always the case in such matters, but it is understood according to grapevine circuits, ordinarily reliable, that the financial levy this year will run up to the \$23,000,000 mark or thereabouts, considerably in excess of last year. Rumors that the Provincial sales tax probably would be restored appear to be without foundation, though it is stated that its abolition last year was only overcome by the unforeseen windfall to the government treasury through the impost on the estate of the late Senator Patrick Burns of Calgary, an amount running into several hundreds of thousands of dollars. No such legacy can be expected by the Provincial Treasurer this year.

Heavier taxation on banking institutions within the Province is said to be decided upon, irrespective of the fate of the bank control legislation now before the supreme court of Canada. But on the whole the problem of raising another million or two in revenue to meet the 1938-39 requirements is proving a weighty one for Hon. Solon Low, Treasurer, and his advisers. The budget will again be orthodox. That much may be stated with considerable certainty.

HITLER NOW VIRTUALLY CONTROLS AUSTRIA

VIENNA, Feb. 16th.—Placing Austria virtually under the domination of Hitler, three vital cabinet posts including that of justice, were given to Austrian Nazis today as a result of the recent conversations between Hitler and Chancellor Schuschnigg. Many thousands of Nazi prisoners, imprisoned for conspiring against the state, have been released.

German Nazi troops are concentrating on the Austrian border, and fears are expressed as to what the next few hours may bring in world shaking events.

Eden's Warning

LONDON, Feb. 16th.—Foreign Secretary Eden gave warning in the House of Commons today that the results of the Hitler-Schuschnigg conversations are likely to be more far-reaching than even the changes in the Austrian Cabinet indicate.

BLAME FOR GRAVE EVENTS

PARIS, Feb. 16th.—Failures of British and French statesmanship to take effective measures is blamed today by part of the republican press, for grave events in Austria. Continuous and futile flirting with Hitler and Mussolini on the part of these powers, while the Fascist moves were being secretly prepared, is held largely responsible.

Acrimonious Battle Staged on Bennett's Corruption Charges

Pelletier Motion for Inquiry Is
Withdrawn Following Debate
in House

By M. McDougall

Special to The Western Farm Leader

OTTAWA, Feb. 15th.—The quiet, good humored spirit of the debate on whether Canada should have a special flag of its own was today rifted by an acrimonious battle on charges of electoral corruption.

The debate was started by Rene Pelletier of Peace River, who requested discussion and investigation of charges made the other day by Opposition Leader Bennett. Before the House went on with other business "the stigma which beclouds the House should be removed," said Pelletier.

Mr. Bennett in the debate on the speech from the throne charged that political corruption existed and that campaign levies from contractors for party funds were exacted. Today Mr. Bennett refused to withdraw his accusations, but said he was not reflecting on any member of the House. He had referred, he said, not to Dominion elections alone, but

FORMAL NOTICE OF AMENDMENT IS MADE BY DUNNING

Bill Will Provide for Two Boards
of Review in Any
Province

SOUGHT BY U.F.A.

Another Section to Fix Date After
Which No New Proposals
Entertained

Special to The Western Farm Leader

OTTAWA, Feb. 16th.—From the standpoint of many Western farmers, perhaps the most important item of news from the Dominion Parliament is contained in the formal announcement made yesterday by Hon. Charles Dunning, Minister of Finance, that a bill to amend the Farmers' Creditors' Arrangement Act will be introduced.

The amendments to the act will provide for more than one Board of Review in any Province. This has been requested by the United Farmers of Alberta and other farm bodies in the Prairie Provinces. As is known, the need to expedite action in cases where farmers wish to take advantage of the provisions of the act has been the subject of many strong representations.

Another section, providing that no new proposals for adjustment shall be entertained after a date fixed by proclamation is another matter, about which further particulars will be awaited with interest.

to the conduct of Provincial elections in Ontario.

King's Rejoinder

"There is not a member of this House who has courage to stand up and say he has a specific charge to make against any member of this Government or of this House or those carrying on the public business of this country," Prime Minister King retorted, replying to Mr. Pelletier's demands. "I say that until specific charge is made the Parliament of this country is to go on with its regular work."

After a bitter tilt with Mr. Bennett in which Mr. Dunning declared the Conservative Leader had thrown mud to "rehabilitate his party," and Mr. Bennett took vigorous exception, causing the Minister to withdraw the charge unqualifiedly, the Minister of Finance stated the Government's intention to make definite recommendations to Parliament for tightening up of the Election Act so that money and contributions won't flow so freely.

CO-OPERATIVE EXHIBIT

The Swedish exhibit at the World's Fair to be held in New York next year will give chief place to the Swedish co-operative movement and Swedish social legislation.

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SPREAD IN BREAD PRICES

The spread in bread prices in the U.S. was greater in the closing weeks of 1937 than at any time since 1930. The average price of a loaf of white bread was 8.7 cents; the cost of ingredients was 2.6 cents, leaving 6.1 cents for the bakers and retailers.

Establishment of consumer co-operatives for the distribution of milk in cities of New York state was advocated recently by Governor Lehman, who is not by any means a radical.

The co-operative movement in Colombia has shown considerable development since 1934, when there were only 15 co-operative societies with 3,380 members. These had increased in two years to 47 societies with a membership of over 13,000. The societies include 21 co-operative credit unions and 19 purchasers' co-operatives.

Assembly by Resolution Seeks Clemency for Powell and Unwin as Session Opens in Edmonton

All Opposition Members but One Withdraw Before Vote Asking Release Taken

BOURCIER MOVER

Opposition Speakers Declare Disrespect for Courts Inferred in Resolution Wording

By C. H. STOUT

Special to *The Western Farm Leader*

EDMONTON, Feb. 17th.—Alberta's sixth session of the eighth legislative assembly opened with impressive ritual and formality, with a brave military display, the booming of guns and a gathering of notables and magnificent gowns and all seemed serene as house openings have been from time immemorial last Thursday afternoon, when, out of the blue came the unexpected announcement of Mr. Speaker—

"The house will now adjourn until 5 o'clock."

Even A. J. Hooke, newly appointed government whip to succeed J. H. Unwin, now serving a sentence in Fort Saskatchewan gaol, was taken by surprise. The speech from the throne, a document of some 2,000 words, had

been duly read by His Honor, Lieutenant Governor J. C. Bowen, the two new members E. L. Gray, new Liberal leader, Edmonton, and Dr. Peter Campbell, unity member for Lethbridge, had been introduced and all was ready for customary adjournment until the next day. The suspense lasted an hour.

Clemency Sought

At 5 o'clock, when members took their regular desks, A. V. Bourcier, S.C., Lac Ste. Anne, moved that the rules of the house be waived to permit a resolution being passed to ask the Federal Minister of Justice to consider clemency for Mr. Unwin, and G. F. Powell, Social Credit Board adviser, who three hours previously had entered the Provincial jail to serve three and six months respectively, their appeals in connection with the "bankers' toadies" pamphlet having been dismissed by the Alberta Court of Appeals. It was necessary to have unanimous consent of the house to consider a resolution of which no formal notice had been given. The opposition refused to allow the rules to be waived.

Also setting a new precedent, government members asked and secured a registered division on the motion which resulted in a 46 to 10 win. Thus, Messrs. Gray and Campbell set a new record for new members, being listed on a division within two hours of taking their seats in the house.

Next day the resolution came before the Assembly with laudatory remarks from Mr. Bourcier and Rev. Mr. Wingblade, Wetaskiwin, seconded, about the characters of Unwin and Powell, and regrets that court action should have been taken against them and sentences imposed by Alberta courts. The resolution climaxed several dramatic days in which the two men remained free, and in which Premier Aberhart, as Attorney General, had stayed their departure for Fort Saskatchewan and urged Ottawa for a remission of the terms. Hon. Ernest Lapointe, Minister of Justice, took the stand that he would not be justified in intervening with the order of the courts.

In response to a further appeal made by Mr. Aberhart to Prime Minister King, Mr. King supported Mr. Lapointe's action in refusing "such a drastic and immediate exercise of clemency" . . . "even before these men were imprisoned," but that "this does not preclude the consideration of clemency in this as in all other cases" and that the "usual investigation necessary in such cases would be conducted by the remission service of the Department of Justice."

Features of Resolution

Opposition members were more or less trapped by the skilful wording of the resolution. Not only did it ask for clemency for Unwin and Powell but it claimed the leaflets were only "humorous dodgers"; containing "an unfortunate combination of ambiguous words which were never intended to attack the character or reputation of anyone." Further along the motion asserted that both the "convictions and severity of the penalties imposed have much disturbed public opinion and have given rise to the impression that a grave miscarriage of justice has occurred, which unless remedied, is liable to engender bitterness among the people and disrespect for the courts of the land."

Liberal Leader E. L. Gray and Conservative Leader D. M. Duggan both protested against the resolution coming into the house in any form, much less with, they stated, disrespect for the courts inferred. They suggested that members might join unofficially in an appeal for clemency for Unwin, fellow-member, as was done some

Their Release Sought



While the move by Social Credit members to secure release of George F. Powell, (top), and J. H. Unwin, M.L.A., (lower picture), was being launched in the Alberta Legislature, E. G. Hansell, Social Credit M.P. for Macleod, appealed in Parliament to the Minister of Justice, Hon. Ernest Lapointe, for early parole of the two men. Later a resolution on the subject by Social Credit members was ruled out of order by the Speaker of the House of Commons. In the meantime Prime Minister King has informed Premier Aberhart that inquiry by remission officers will be made, in accordance with precedent in such cases. Mr. King protested the references to the courts in the resolution.

years ago in the case of James Grigware alias Fahey, of Jasper, Alberta. John Hugill, former Attorney General, objected to the resolution on a point of order that it was unparliamentary according to the rules but Mr. Speaker declared it was a proper motion for the house to consider.

Finally when the issue was forced to a vote and division, Liberals, Conservatives, independents and three non-caucus members of the Government numbering 13, absented themselves from the chamber, leaving only Dr. Peter Campbell, Lethbridge, in opposition row. He stood alone against the 46 government members, claiming that he did not know Unwin but he objected to the resolution as he believed it reflected on the courts.

The resolution was forwarded to Prime Minister King at Ottawa, who replied that the court of remission would investigate the case. Meanwhile many of the government members drove to Fort Saskatchewan jail Sunday afternoon in bitter weather

TWENTY-ONE YEARS AGO

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The Western Farm Leader LEGAL DEPARTMENT

By Hon. J. E. BROWNLEE,
K.C., LL.D.

An inquirer writes that he purchased a set of tires in November, 1937, on the budget plan (by which I assume is meant the installment plan) with the Vendor secured by the usual form of lien contract. Unexpected reverses have prevented him from making the payments when due and the Vendor is now demanding payment, or the return of the tires. Can they repossess?

The answer to this query involves the position of purchasers under lien contracts made since July 1st, 1936, where there is default in payment.

In the first place neither the moratorium nor the Debt Adjustment Act apply to protect the debtor as they only affect debt incurred before July 1st, 1936. There is nothing therefore to prevent the Vendor taking action to collect either by a suit in court for the balance of the purchase price or by seizing the goods under the lien note. All he has to do is to issue a distress warrant and hand it to the Sheriff who then makes the seizure.

Please note, and this is important, that the Vendor cannot repossess by himself. He may threaten to do so but he cannot.

Cases were known years ago where, for example, a machine company has threatened to seize a binder operating at harvest time to force a settlement. To prevent this, the Legislature some years ago passed a Seizures Act which prevents Vendors or Mortgagees making a seizure excepting through the Sheriff.

Then, after the seizure has been made, the goods can only be sold under a Judge's order, and the Judge has full power to grant such extensions of time as he may consider advisable to enable the debtor to make his payments, that is, assuming he concludes the debtor is acting in good faith. In other words even with respect to these "new debts" considerable protection is given the debtor against the arbitrary conduct of a creditor.

R.E.A.—Your inquiry has been answered in the above article. Your inquiry seemed to be one of a nature that might be of rather common interest.

N.B.—A number of inquiries seeking legal advice have been received from readers of this paper, addressed directly to my law office. Please note that all such inquiries should be addressed to the Editor of this paper through whom only they will be answered.

Your Legal Problem

Paid-up subscribers of *The Western Farm Leader* may submit questions of a legal nature, to be answered in this column free of charge. Names of inquirers will not be published. Inquiries should be addressed, "Legal, *Western Farm Leader*, Renfrew Building, Calgary." The subscription to the paper is \$1 per year.

Profits of 76 of Canada's most important corporations were greater in 1937 than in 1936 by about 25 per cent. The aggregate net earnings for the 76 companies, for the fiscal years ending during 1937, were more than \$75,000,000.

In British slum clearance undertakings, more than 3,400,000 new houses have been built since the Great War, taxpayers contributing more than \$180,000,000 to the cost.

to visit Unwin and Powell.

Opposition members stated during the debate Friday that they were being placed in the impossible position of being asked to cast reflections on the courts if they supported the resolution, and of placing themselves on record as opposed to any clemency for Unwin if they registered against the motion.

ROCKS, MARSHES ON CANADA'S ROAD ARE POINTED OUT

Picture of Dominion From Coast
to Coast Presented in Valuable Debate

BRIGHT AND SOMBRE

Parliament to Control Power Export—Alberta S. C. Members Protest Disallowance of Acts

By M. McDougall

(Special to *The Western Farm Leader*)

OTTAWA, Feb. 16th.—The debate on the Speech from the Throne, which was kept on beyond its expected time of termination by the vigorous questioning of the Government by Social Credit members from Alberta, has given a composite picture in some bright and some sombre colors, of industrial and political Canada at the present hour.

In some form or other, directly or indirectly the problems of the Canadian people have been touched on by the various speakers. For this reason the debate has been a valuable preliminary step in the sessional discussions.

Rocks and Marshes Along Nation's Road

The questions which confront the Pacific coast Province, the crisis in Alberta, the acute problems of the Prairie Provinces as a whole, the condition of the farmers in Ontario, the "Padlock" act and other questions in Quebec and fisheries in the Maritimes, as well as national problems such as trade, radio, electoral reform, unemployment, the much vexed constitutional question, and a variety of other matters have been aired before Parliament. Canada has made very considerable strides along the pathway of industrial development; the improvement in 1937 has been marked, but as the speeches in the debate took pains to show, there are political and economic rocks and marshes along the country's road.

S. C. Members Claim Discrimination

Many questions being discussed in Parliament are related in some way to constitutional differences with Provinces. In the case of Alberta a number of Social Credit members have been protesting against the disallowance of Albertan legislation. They claim it is a clear case of discrimination against one Province. Why, these members ask, are these bills disallowed, when no action has been taken in the case of the "Padlock" bill in Quebec? In this connection, Mr. Lapointe stated his Department would give this act its careful consideration. The time during which disallowance is possible expires on July 8th.

Concerning the export of electric power, on which there was a difference of opinion between the Government of Ontario and the Government of the Dominion, the Prime Minister has introduced a bill to take out of the hands of the Cabinet the control of giving or withholding export licenses for electricity and placing this control in the hands of Parliament. In this way the disputed question will no longer be a point of issue between the two Governments.

In regard to unemployment insurance, the situation is pretty clear. As already well known, three Provinces have withheld assent to the projected unemployment insurance amendment. Early in the debate on the speech from the throne the Prime Minister explained that he could not see how he could go on with his constitutional amendment plan without the co-operation of the Provinces. Such co-operation for the present at least seems conspicuous by its absence. The challenge against "invasion of Provincial rights" from Quebec has been unequivocal.

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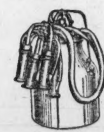
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Stalemate on Constitution

The whole question of revising the constitution remains in a condition of stalemate. A good deal was heard during the debate from Mr. King, Mr. Bennett, Mr. Lapointe and others on the virtue of national unity, on the need of authority to carry out necessary legislation for the good of the people of Canada; but the voice of protest against interference with Provincial autonomy was also heard.

The debate has given considerable prominence to the investigation now being carried out by the Rowell Commission on Dominion Provincial Relations. When this fact finding commission has finished its hearings and made its report with recommendations, it seems probable that a convention will be called to discuss the whole question of constitutional amendment. Until then nothing is likely to be done with the constitution.

A private bill has been introduced by C. H. Cahan, former Secretary of State, to do away with appeals to the judicial committee of the Privy Council. No criminal cases have for some time been sent for final adjudication to the Privy Council. Appeals in civil cases, however, are still sent to the "foot of the throne." Whatever may be the fate of this bill in Parliament, it also involves the rights of the Provinces. The various Provinces on occasions exercise the right of appeal direct to the Privy Council and their consent

will be needed before this right is discarded.

Radio and Trade Policies

Interesting features of the later hours of the debate were the championship of Mr. Howe, Minister of Transport, of Canada's radio policy and the account of his stewardship and the trade policy of Canada by the Minister of Trade and Commerce, Mr. Euler. Mr. Howe stated that two new 50 kilowatt broadcasting stations, in addition to the one at Montreal and the other at Toronto recently opened, would be erected when the necessary funds were available. Mr. Euler allayed fears that the projected trade treaty with the United States would in any way prejudice the interests of producers, industrial or agricultural in Canada.

With the speech from the throne debate now out of the way, the House of Commons has launched upon the legislative program of the Government.

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Waiter—Very good, sir. Right or left leg, sir?

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DAIRYING IN ALBERTA

Butter produced in Alberta is the best in Canada, or at least it has no superior, Joseph Burgess, chief of the Dominion dairy products inspection and grading services, informed the Alberta Dairymen's Convention held in Edmonton last week. Eighty-seven per cent of Alberta butter, he informed the delegates, rated first grade.

As reported on page 12 of this issue, J. R. Sweeney, Provincial Dairy Commissioner, discussing production figures, pointed out that Alberta's creamery butter production established an all time record of 26,458,809 pounds in 1937. He gave the total value of all dairy products in Alberta last year as \$17,137,900, a very substantial increase over the total of \$15,505,800 in 1936.

Progress made by the industry in the past year was also described by Norman S. Clarke of Didsbury, President of the Cattle Breeders' Association, and himself long associated with dairying production in the Province, and by other speakers.

Of their achievement in the field of production; of the high standards of quality which have been reached, farmers of the Province have good reason to be proud. But if they are to gain for themselves and their families the full benefit of their production, we believe that they will find it necessary to devote even greater attention than they have done in the past to the building up of their co-operative enterprises.

Gains in production and in quality will not bring them all that they are entitled to unless over a period of years they acquire the greatest possible measure of control over the processing and distribution of their own products.

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FARM IMPLEMENT PRICES

On the eve of prorogation last year, a committee of the House of Commons headed by J. Fred Johnston, Liberal member for Last Mountain, brought in a report in which it was stated that the retail prices of farm implements had been too high ever since 1891, and could be reduced without embarrassment to the manufacturers.

Clearly such a report calls for action. No clear assurance has been given by the Prime Minister that action is contemplated by the Government, but Mr. King is said to have promised

some of his own followers that opportunities for discussion of the subject will be provided this session. Members of the committee of which Mr. Johnston is chairman desired that the Government itself should bring its influence to bear upon the manufacturers and distributors.

Not content to wait for the Government to move in the matter, in the leisurely way in which Governments generally do move, T. C. Douglas, C.C.F. member for Weyburn, has placed a resolution on the order paper, setting forth that "the price of farm implements is too high in relation to the price of farm products"; that "the cost of distribution of farm implements is too high," and that "the credit charges to farmers buying machinery on time is excessive." Mr. Douglas suggests that the Government encourage farmers to organize in Provincial units for the co-operative distribution and servicing of farm implements.

Whatever the most advantageous course to take at the present time may be, there can be no doubt that Mr. Douglas's effort to bring about effective action will meet with the sympathy of a very large number of members of the House of Commons from agricultural constituencies, whether they be Liberals, Conservatives, C.C.F. members or members of the Social Credit group.

And while this subject is under discussion, no doubt the costs of spare parts will receive attention. The increase in costs some time ago added a considerable burden to the producers. It imposed a real handicap upon the limited number of farmers in the more fortunate districts who have been hoping to extricate themselves from debts accumulated during the worst of the depression years; while for those who have been less fortunate the handicap has been much more serious.

There is a widespread conviction among farm people that present prices are unwarrantably high. A full discussion of the whole matter in Parliament might be a step towards more satisfactory prices from the buyers' standpoint.

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"WHERE THERE'S A WILL..."

While Canada is doing perhaps more than any other country to assist Japan in her murderous onslaught upon China, by supplying her with metals and other raw material essential to the carrying on of the war, and the massacre of civilians, Hon. W. D. Euler, Minister of Trade and Commerce, suggests that if Canada should

THE SHADOW OVER CANADA

(E. S. McLeod, of Ottawa, in New York Nation)

"I make bold to say on Canada's behalf that there is no country in the world where there is a more complete acceptance of the democratic principles of government or in which they are more thoroughly exemplified." So spoke John W. Dafoe, the C. P. Scott of Canadian journalism, in the course of his Julius Beer Foundation lectures at Columbia in 1934. If made today such a statement would be glaringly false. Canadian democracy and the civil liberties upon which it must be founded to survive are under bitter and open attack.

The real danger of fascism on a national scale in Canada will come with the next depression, which is being confidently predicted for 1939-41. By that time reaction in Quebec and Ontario may be expected to be well established and organized. Negotiations between Hepburn and Duplessis will probably have produced a working agreement, and Mackenzie King will be leaving the national stage. Now Mr. King has many shortcomings. Too much of his energy since he entered public life has been devoted to holding his ear to the ground. As a procrastinator he is unique, supreme. But he is a liberal. The Gladstone-Laurier tradition is his finest inheritance. There is not the least doubt that he is personally revolted by what is happening in Quebec and Ontario, and both provincial governments have complained bitterly that Ottawa has not supported them in suppressing "subversive" influences. But Mr. King is too much of a politician and too handicapped by his habits and temperament to make any overt effort to stop the spread of fascist doctrines in the provinces. It would be political suicide for him to disallow the anti-democratic legislation of Quebec as he has not hesitated to disallow certain social-credit bills in Alberta. So long as he is in office, however, . . . the Dominion authorities will have no direct hand in destroying civil liberties.

If, as is possible, Mr. King retires before the next election, a crisis will have been reached in Canadian affairs. He will take with him or be preceded into retirement by Ernest Lapointe, Minister of Justice, among the last of the authentic "Laurier Liberals" of Quebec. The stage will then be set for the Hepburn-Duplessis drive for national power, and no one can say they will not get it. When that day comes Canadian refugees will have to organize a new underground railway into the United States. But perhaps it will have happened there as well!

cut off the supply, (as the League for Peace and Democracy, the League of Nations Society in Canada, and other organizations have urged) the materials might still reach Japan through other countries. Exports would be made from Canada to the United States, for instance, and would then be transhipped to Japan.

That is Mr. Euler's argument (or part of it) for the continuance of unlimited profiteering by a few Canadian merchants of death.

We suppose that a similar argument is being used by the defenders of the corresponding group of profiteers in the United States, who will contend that if the United States imposed an embargo on war materials for Japan, the materials would be shipped to Canada, and thence, through Canadian ports, to the Orient. In Britain and France, also, the same story is being told.

Another point in Mr. Euler's argument (he was referring to nickel), was that as there is a large demand for this metal for normal industrial purposes, apart altogether from the war industry, restriction would interfere with legitimate industry.

The truth is, of course, that the increase in exports of these materials useful in war has been entirely abnormal. Normal requirements of industry can be ascertained without any great difficulty, and a complete embargo against Japan could be accompanied by the imposition of quotas on exports to other countries.

If even a fair margin over ascertained normal requirements were permitted, most of the supplies that are finding their way to Japan would be cut off.

Where there's a will, there's a way.

HOUSE DEFEATS AMENDMENT TO THRONE SPEECH

New Liberal Leader Discusses
Dry Areas in Maiden Speech
in Assembly

Special to *The Western Farm Leader*

EDMONTON, Feb. 15th.—Initial debate of the Legislative Assembly was cut off summarily in the house Monday afternoon, to spring another surprise on galleries and at least a section of the groups in the chamber. Only three speakers took part in the discussion attached to the resolution replying to the speech from the throne, mover and seconder James Hartley, S.C., Macleod, and Wm. Masson, S.C., Wainwright, and one speaker from opposition benches, E. L. Gray, Edmonton, new Liberal leader.

Mr. Gray moved an amendment to the resolution that the speech be accepted on the ground that it failed to indicate:

(1) Adequate attention to the rehabilitation of the drought area; (2) the forest industry; (3) hail and crop insurance; (4) lower rates of interest to farmers; (5) lower taxation by refunding of the public debt.

The Liberal amendment, seconded by Gerald O'Connor, Edmonton, which was in effect a vote of non-confidence in the Government, was voted down by a division of 39 to 11, with no "bolters" from Government ranks, though a number of the members were absent. Liberals, Conservatives, Independents and the one Unity member, supported the amendment.

Budget May Be Early

After its defeat the house promptly voted on the main resolution though it was expected that D. M. Duggan, Conservative leader, would adjourn the debate, and it was stated several government private members had speeches prepared. The sudden collapse, however, of the initial debate left the sessional slate practically void of any real business. Consequently it is expected the budget will not be long delayed in making an appearance.

His maiden address in the house brought commendation from Government benches when Hon. Lucien Maynard, Minister of Municipal Affairs, spoke in appreciation of the lofty tone and constructive outlook of the Liberal leader's contribution and hoped it would be accepted as an example by other opposition speakers.

"The example might be followed by the government too," remarked J. J. Bowlen, Liberal, Calgary.

New Leader's Maiden Speech

Mr. Gray said he proposed to deal with the speech from the throne from the viewpoint of a private citizen of the Province rather than from that of a member of the Assembly and the leader of a political party. He proposed further to exercise tolerance in the discussion of affairs; for the words tolerance, negotiations, and compromise, were too frequently struck off the list of political usage in the Province, and in his opinion were essential to democratic progress.

Vague reference to a new economic order in the speech he presumed was linked with social credit, reminding him of the life cycle of one of the West's field pests, the pale western cutworm. First the egg was deposited in the fertile soil, next the insect destroyed the crops, after which it went into a dormant stage, later to emerge as a drab colored moth fluttering over the fields.

Regretting that no mention had been made in regard to rehabilitation plans for the drought area, Mr. Gray pointed out that this area was not confined to the southeastern section of the Province. It stretched from the Saskatchewan valley practically from Edmonton to the U.S. boundary and

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Money in Power Now, Contention of Mover Address in Assembly

Sure Will of People Will Prevail,
Says Hartley—Masson
Seconds Address

Special to *The Western Farm Leader*

EDMONTON, Feb. 14th.—Mover and seconder from Government benches of the resolution in reply spoke at length in the Legislature Friday afternoon and Monday with about everything brought under review by James Hartley, Macleod, and William Masson, Wainwright.

Mr. Hartley discussed the functions of government, the methods of borrowing and of interest payments and the hypothesis that taxation has reached the limit. Democracy was being challenged to solve the issues of human rights and social justice, he contended. Control of credit must be restored to the people. The President of the U.F.A. was wrong when he claimed the Province had control of its credit, said the member. Power to control the creation of credit was what was required. Now the Social Credit Government was in office, but Money was in power. He was sure the will of the people would prevail, however. Alberta conditions had been improving under the Government, he contended. New millions were being invested in Turner Valley and oil production was far in excess of what it had been under former administration.

Unemployment insurance was a "quack remedy," said Mr. Hartley, with the "forgotten man" paying for it all. The Dominion Government could solve the whole problem by "creating the funds out of nothing the same as the banks do today." He gave reasons for regarding the proposal of the Liberal leader that gasoline taxation should be earmarked for roads and a portion returned to municipalities, as not being the most satisfactory plan.

"The Liberal leader does not tell us what he would use for money for all the services which he would give to the public," the Macleod member said. Economic security was a first essential. Why look afield for markets for livestock and dairy products when the home market could take it all. The capitalistic system, which permitted scarcity in the midst of abundance must go. A monthly dividend of \$25 was essential and must and would be paid.

Farmers were all heavily in debt. That was what was wrong with agriculture. Health, highways and other necessary public services were handicapped by lack of money. Finance had reduced the people to conditions of serfdom and slavery. Mr. Hartley defended the larger school units and contended opposition to these larger areas was to a great extent political.

William Masson, Wainwright, claimed oil resources in his riding were probably as rich as those in Turner Valley. Progressive steps had been taken by the Government in education, public works, road building, coal production, and in public health activities. Highway construction costs had been cut and even the judicial inquiry showed there was no dishonesty in the application of public funds. The old "sloppy and wasteful" method of road building had been scrapped. By means of a moratorium debts had been controlled, and other public services had been investigated—such as the milk distribution problem. The Social Credit Government was the only one in the Dominion to face up to the responsibility of seeking to "give the people what they wanted—\$25 per month and a lower cost to live with freedom and security."

An "indignation meeting" sponsored by the agricultural section of the Hanna Board of Trade on Saturday last protested against "the failure of Governments to meet desperate feed situation here."

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Hopes of Short Session Assembly not Bright

EDMONTON, Feb. 7th.—Hopes of a short session of the Legislature opened last week are not particularly bright. Caucus sittings, frequent since Government members assembled in the capital, have made it clear that no little difficulty will be met in adjusting the sessional program to the satisfaction of at least three well defined groups of opinion.

Demand for some kind of debt reduction legislation that will not at once be challenged in the courts and thrown out, as have been previous attempts, has been made by private members, but what form such legislation will have to take is causing no end of mental strain in cabinet and backbencher circles. The speech from the throne asserted that "the year

we have now entered upon may prove a notable one, both as indicating the probable success of the new economic order, now being made in this Province, and throughout the world, to accelerate economic readjustment and the establishment of a new social order." But what form this forecast is to take has not yet been divulged.

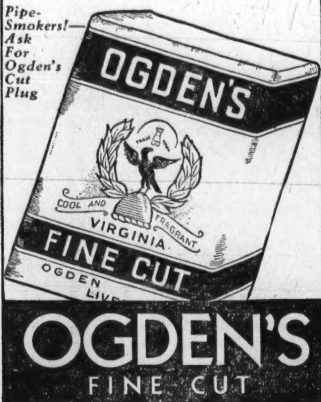
Generally the lengthy speech from the throne dwelt upon past conditions, with commendation for Government efforts to cope with unemployment, education, health and labor problems. More hard surfacing of highways was promised, and "further consideration to debt adjustment legislation, and such other measures as may be deemed necessary for the good and welfare of our people."

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The U.F.A. Convention requested the Provincial Government to "aid and further the construction of the Monkman Pass Highway," from the Peace River to the Pacific.

Inauguration of a closed season on migratory birds of at least two years in Central and Southern Alberta, to check the serious slaughter of these birds, was urged by the U.F.A. Convention.

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MINIMUM DUTY ON CATTLE ENTERING U.S. BEING SOUGHT

Canadian Chamber of Agriculture Expresses Views of Alberta Cattlemen on New Treaty

IMPORTANT SESSIONS

Wide Range of Matters of Concern to Primary Producers Dealt With at Meeting

By E. W. BRUNSDEN, Secretary, Alberta Council of Agriculture

Wide range of matters relating to the farm were discussed and dealt with at the second annual meeting of the Canadian Chamber of Agriculture in Ottawa, January 27th to 29th. Prior to the session, annual meetings of several national farm organizations were held and the considerations of these were placed before the Chamber for final action. These included the Canadian Dairy Farmers' Federation; the Canadian Horticultural Council; and a conference of co-operative live stock shipping organizations in all the Provinces of Canada save British Columbia.

Alberta was represented through the Alberta Co-operative Council, the Provincial unit of the Canadian Chamber, by W. C. McKenzie, live stock director and first vice-president of the Alberta Council, who carried to Ottawa a number of important contributions to the session. Alberta Council's chairman, C. Jensen, was also present in Ottawa for several of the meetings, and Alberta had further representation in the person of George C. Coote, director, Alberta Wheat Pool.

Importation into Canada of foreign vegetable oils displacing our own animal fats; trade treaties; regulations surrounding the shipping and sale of livestock; marketing and debt legislation; rural credits; animal diseases, and the most desirable trend of further organization were all discussed at length and decisions on these reached.

Protest Drastic Actions

One subject introduced by the Alberta representative of paramount importance to all Canada was the

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Rail Grading of Hogs

There is some dissatisfaction in Alberta, particularly from some of the co-operative live stock shipping associations, with the rail grading of hogs. Some are of the opinion that this basis of grading cannot be equitable if more than a very short haul is involved, and further there is some complaint that the dual system, rail and live grading, is a disadvantage. Increase of direct shipments to plants is seen by some as a direct result of the inauguration of rail grading.

The discussion on this subject reached the Canadian Chamber of Agriculture, mainly through a presentation from the Alberta Co-operative Council which recognized the questions in the minds of many shippers and co-operative officials, and which asked that a study of the entire question of hog marketing be undertaken.

Requested by resolution from the Chamber to institute such enquiry, the Federal Minister of Agriculture stated verbally the rail grade has been established in Canada at producers' request, and that a study of its merits and demerits at this stage could not be agreed to. From co-operative officers in the East, the Alberta representatives learned that under Eastern conditions, rail grading was apparently giving satisfaction, and from departmental sources it was shown that the claim that this system is increasing the volume of shipments direct to plants, taking the Canadian industry as a whole, was not true.

The Chamber asked, by resolution, that consideration be given by Parliament, to the institution of a system of rural credits similar to that in vogue in the United States.

Live Stock Board Proposed

Recognising the value of federating producers' organizations throughout Canada, and the need for such federation in securing for the live stock industry some of the adjustments thought necessary in the present day, the live stock representatives considered the advisability of setting up a Live Stock Board, within the Chamber, with producer control but representative of all phases of the live stock and meat industry, similar to the Argentina Meat Board. A committee was established to give further consideration to this question, and report to the Chamber.

Stricter checking of settlements on identified live stock sold on a graded basis, was promised by the Federal Minister of Agriculture following the presentation to him of a resolution pointing out certain inequities at present seen.

Representations for national marketing legislation representing the principle of producer control, should

recent drastic cut in the duty on lamb and mutton coming into Canada from the Antipodes. Exception was taken to the suddenness with which this reduction was made, and the extent of the duty cut.

The conclusion reached at Ottawa was that since this specific duty would no doubt be re-considered when the Canadian-Antipodean trade treaties are renewed during 1938, it would be idle to ask the Federal Government to re-open the question at the present. The Chamber did ask, however, that producers should be given full opportunity to discuss with the Government the effect of such duty slashes, prior to the time the trade treaties are finally negotiated.

Respecting the importation of vegetable oils, the Chamber followed the lead of the Dairy Farmers' Federation in deciding that there was ample scope for the full presentation of the producers' case during the hearing on this matter now under way before the Tariff Board.

Beef Cattle Industry

The status of the beef cattle industry, particularly in the West, was given considerable study. The Alberta Council, in a brief on this subject, had asked that the forthcoming new treaty with the United States, should be on its own basis in so far as the exports of cattle to the latter country were concerned, and that our exports should not be coupled with those of Mexico. Expressing the views of Alberta cattlemen, the Council also asked that only a minimum duty should be placed by the United States, and that the Federal Canadian Government should make concessions to United States importers to offset the advantage Canada might enjoy from the exporting of cattle.

In an interview with the Hon. J. G. Gardiner, Minister of Agriculture, following the session, delegates were assured that every possible endeavor would be made to secure additional advantage for the cattle industry in the treaty now being negotiated with the United States.

Recognising the pressure upon the Government from some sections of Canada for the abolition of the Farmers' Creditors' Arrangement Act, the Chamber re-affirmed its previous stand on the value of agriculture of this legislation, and asked that provision be made, by amendment to the present act, for the expediting of debt settlement through it. Additional boards should be immediately set up under the act, the Chamber said, in order that there might be no undue delay in the consideration of cases. The principle of the act, the settlement of debt by impartial boards after a hearing on each case, was endorsed.

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FARM UNITY MAJOR NEED

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Editor, *The Western Farm Leader*:

May I, through *The Western Farm Leader*, offer some comments on the recent Annual Convention of the U.F.A.?

First of all, let me stress the fact that though differences of opinion on the political issues were marked, those who took part in the debates established a standard of fairness and tolerance of which the farm community of Alberta has reason to be proud.

Whether we agree with all the decisions of the Convention or not, it is my conviction that, the decisions having been made, it is up to us all to accept them, at this time, in the interests of the farm movement. Future Conventions, of course, will have the power to change them.

After all, the U.F.A. was never primarily a political organization. In recent years, in my opinion, too much stress has been placed on the political side of the movement. Too much time was spent at the last, as in some other Conventions, in political discussions, to the neglect of some of the most urgent of the farmers' economic problems.

Economic Action Basis

Political action in the U.F.A. was an outgrowth of social and economic action, and should never have been regarded as the dominant interest of the organization, or treated as its major activity. Even when the constituency associations were set up, it was clearly indicated that they were intended to deal with all phases of farm activity; though they were at liberty to decide for themselves whether they would or would not, at any particular time, nominate candidates for public office.

From the beginning and right up to the present, the chief object of the U.F.A. has been to serve the farmers' interests, and to fight their battles whether they were in politics or out. Its function has been to fight the battles of those farmers who disagree with us politically no less than of those who agree.

That was one reason why, when the Association entered the Dominion-wide C.C.F., in the Federal field, we insisted on safeguarding the autonomy of the U.F.A. at all times, and never would consent to merging our identity in that of any other movement. We always insisted that any candidates nominated by the U.F.A. should be known, first of all, as U.F.A. candidates; but when the program which the U.F.A. first outlined, was accepted as the basis of their program by other bodies all over Canada, we were glad of the opportunity this provided for Federal co-operation to realize our common aims.

In Alberta the C.C.F. has never existed as a body dealing with Provincial politics. The Alberta C.C.F. Provincial Council was set up to deal with Federal matters. Unless and until all the units of the Federation agree to enter the Provincial field, that Council cannot take political action Provincially.

Unconstitutional Action

In some quarters the C.C.F. Clubs be made to the Rowell Commission or to the Provincial Government, the delegates were told by the Hon. J. G. Gardiner.

The three day session was more representative of all sections of Canadian agriculture than was the case in the previous annual session, the Alberta men stated, and the feeling was general in Ottawa that progress toward a sound Canadian farmers' body, while slow, was also apparent in the review of the past 12 months of the Chambers' history.

Officers re-elected included the president, J. H. Wesson, head of the Saskatchewan Wheat Pool, and W. C. McKenzie, Southern Alberta Co-operative Association, Lethbridge, who was returned as second vice-president.

Farm Women Build Successful Market, Co-operative Plan

Started Practically Without Capital, Now Have Annual Turnover of \$125,000

WASHINGTON, D.C., Feb. 16th.—

Started by a group of farm women in 1932, practically without capital, a co-operative market has been built up which now has an annual turnover of over \$125,000. A market is held in one of the suburbs of the city. It was at first held only on Saturdays, now it is carried on on Wednesdays and Saturdays, where the women themselves sell butter, eggs, poultry, fruit, vegetables, flowers and home cooking. Each member manages her own stall, but contributes 5 per cent of sales, and \$2 a month rental for her counter, towards the general expenses.

In the summer of 1934 the members bought the building they had been renting—located on a good corner, with plenty of parking space, with financial assistance from the Baltimore Bank for Co-operatives. Instead of paying rent they now pay interest, insurance and taxes, and are steadily reducing their indebtedness to the bank; while the proceeds to the individual members from the various farm side lines have been very much increased.

are now being urged to organize units among the farmers, for Provincial action. The fact is that, for the reasons given above, no body of people carrying the C.C.F. name has the constitutional right to launch out on its own account into the Provincial field at this time. The C.C.F. Clubs are not a Provincial political party—not constitutionally. They are simply one of the three units, of which the U.F.A. and the Labor party are the others, which form the FEDERAL C.C.F. set-up in Alberta.

It is being said by those who are proposing to ask the farmers to set up C.C.F. Clubs for Provincial action that these will not be in competition with the U.F.A. Those who make the statement no doubt believe it, but the facts are that if two organizations are set up in any farm community, one is bound to weaken the other; my prediction is that, in the long run, the U.F.A. Local will be the one to survive.

How can the C.C.F. Clubs be competitors of the U.F.A. in the Provincial field, while co-operating with the U.F.A. in the Federal? My conviction is that if the threat is carried out, it will tend to drive a wedge between the U.F.A. and the other units of the Federal field, and might lead to the withdrawal of the U.F.A. from the Federal C.C.F. set-up.

How Confusion Began

Of course a great deal of the present confusion, which the unconstitutional organization of C.C.F. Clubs in the rural districts for Provincial action would increase and accentuate, would have been avoided if a mistake had not been made in permitting one section of the C.C.F. to be known as "The C.C.F. Clubs." This has created the erroneous impression in the public mind that "The C.C.F. Clubs" are the C.C.F., whereas they have never been more than one section of it.

Such being the facts it seems to me that the one chief job to which we farmers should set ourselves during the coming year is the consolidation of our ranks and the building up of a strong U.F.A. If we stay in the movement or join it (if we are not in now), we shall have the opportunity to change its policy if we disagree with it. We can't influence its policy by staying out.

Loyalty to the interests of the farm people requires that we shall not seize upon any differences of opinion as occasions to split it. Majority rule prevails. Let us bow gracefully to the decision of the

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majority, and, if we don't agree with it, use our influence to have it changed.

If we think the Conventions too conservative, let us stay with the organization and try to change it in a more radical direction. If we think the decisions too radical, let us use our influence to have them changed in the direction we think sound. In either case, let us remember that the name of our organization is "The United Farmers of Alberta," and let us keep it united. None of us will ever get anywhere with our own ideas if we cannot make an honest compromise when necessary in order to keep our forces united; and without unity we can accomplish nothing for the farm people.

Yours sincerely,

GEORGE E. CHURCH.

LIMITS TO DEMOCRACY?

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Editor, *The Western Farm Leader*:

They say truth is often stranger than fiction. One cannot but think of the above quotation when looking back on the U.F.A. Convention held in Edmonton recently.

Here was a group of farmers from all parts of the Province, most likely the best debating material that could be collected together from any one Province in the Dominion, and what we might call truly educated citizens fit to vote on any election issue, yet the only thing they solved was to agree to disagree.

Many of these same delegates a year ago instructed the Executive

CLAIM 15,000 MEMBERS

The Canadian Fascist organization, "the National Social Christian Party," claims a membership of 15,000 in the Province of Quebec. Their "Commander-in-chief" is Major Joseph M. Scott, who served in the C.E.F. during the Great War.

to draw up a C.C.F. draft of a Provincial program, and lo and behold they did not even discuss it, but pass a resolution to have no truck or trade with the C.C.F. Provincially.

Platform Ignored

It was not only an insult to those who had devoted much time and energy to drawing it up, but a slur on those who had no better manners than to ignore it. Which by the way means that the U.F.A. are in politics with no platform to place before the people.

It will be very interesting to see the new U.F.A. platform, in as much as presumably it will not be composed of U.F.A. Conventions' resolutions as these were in the C.C.F. draft which they did not consider.

It would appear we are perfectly willing to tell the other fellow at Ottawa what to do, but closer home we become shaky in the legs, need a little stimulant in U.F.A. rum.

All this makes one ask oneself. Is it possible to over democratize the people, so that each become an individual unit of thought? And wherein lies the common ground for effective action?

Democracy to function must at some juncture compromise with self (Continued on page 9)

Current News from Near and Far

PROVINCIAL

The golden jubilee of the Calgary Diocese of the Church of England was celebrated by a banquet on Tuesday evening, about 800 attending.

At least 50 per cent of the cost of education in Alberta should be borne by the Provincial Government, according to a unanimous resolution of the Alberta Trustees' Association.

When he tried to walk to the nearest town after his truck stalled on the highway between Edmonton and St. Albert, Gerard Hebert collapsed and was found later, frozen to death.

Orvis A. Kennedy, one of three selected by the Social Credit convention held last week, was chosen by the party's advisory committee as candidate to contest the East Edmonton by-election to be held March 21st.

The body of Fred Oliver, garage night watchman at Edmonton, was found early Friday morning; he had apparently been beaten to death. Two men, hearing that police were looking for men answering to their description, gave themselves up at Leduc, but were later released, police being satisfied that they had had nothing to do with the crime.

In spite of some protests by Social Credit members that he had been elected as a Unity candidate, E. L. Gray, leader of the Liberal Party in Alberta, took his seat with the other Liberal M.L.A.'s in the Legislature. Dr. Peter Campbell, Unity member for Lethbridge, sits by himself a little distance from the Independent group—J. W. Huggill, W. N. Chant and James Hansen.

Twenty members and a large number of patrons attended the annual meeting of Coaldale Co-operative Supply Association, Ltd., when reports were presented showing the business to be growing. The auditors' report showed that since the present manager took charge a net profit had been shown. The former directors were all re-elected—O. B. Lassiter, H. A. Smith, H. W. Rowley, M. L. Thompson, J. McD. Davidson, F. E. Robertson and Frank Knapp.

Strongly condemning Japan's invasion of China, Rev. E. Melville Aitken, speaking in the Grand Theatre, Calgary, at a meeting called by the local branch of the League for Peace and Democracy, declared that he placed his faith in Democracy as the only system that would lead to the abolition of war. Rabbi Eisen, of Edmonton, declared that Hitler's persecution of the Jews, and Japan's aggression in China, called for the protest of all peoples. He said, however, that he did not believe the Japanese war had the whole-hearted support of the Japanese people.

Barnwell Co-operative Producers, Ltd., at their annual meeting elected Lavone Johnson chairman for the coming year, with Lyman Stevens as assistant and Milace Johnson secretary.

That Samuel Schultz, Edmonton butcher, killed his wife and two children and then committed suicide is the explanation of police after the four bodies had been discovered. Schultz is reported to have suffered fits of depression since he returned from the Great War.

A Cheadle farm hand, J. W. McCallum, was found dead by police last Saturday, when they came to arrest him following report of a girl employed as maid in the same household that in the absence of her employers he had attacked her. The girl froze her hands and feet in running to a neighbor's for refuge, but is recovering in a Calgary hospital.

DOMINION

With further negotiations probable, the Independent Labor Party of Manitoba voted recently to discontinue affiliation with the C.C.F.

The report by Mr. Justice Turgeon on the Canadian textile industry has been handed to the Government but not yet made public.

Four Toronto women will share in the half million dollar bequest of C. V. Millar, commonly known as the "stork derby", the Ontario Supreme court has decided.

About 200 posters from Labor, Socialist and Peace organizations of Europe formed a very interesting display at the recent C.C.Y.M. conference in Toronto.

The first annual financial report of the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation showed an operating surplus of over \$128,000. License fees brought in \$741,666 and advertising \$130,434.

Deductions for company insurance, laundering of uniforms and other items cut the pay of an employee of a manufacturing firm in Windsor, Ontario, from nearly \$8 to 18 cents—for two weeks.

He could see no advantage in prohibiting the shipment of nickel to countries at war, said Hon. W. D. Euler, Minister of Trade and Commerce, in the House of Commons recently; such action would not change their policies. In any event, he said, Japan could secure Canadian nickel through other countries.

Urging the Tariff Board to try to lower the price of gasoline and fuel oils used in agriculture, J. Gordon Ross, representing Saskatchewan co-operatives, said that these items were a major factor in the cost of producing wheat in the Canadian West. He argued that refiners had had too much protection; Imperial Oil, he said, was now paying dividends at the rate of \$160 on an original investment of \$100.

Expressing the opinion that Japan being an aggressor nation, Canada is morally bound to stop exports of war materials to her, J. S. Woodsworth, C.C.F. leader, asked in the House of Commons recently if the Government meant to designate Japan as an area to which Canadian vessels could not carry arms, as had been done in the case of Spain. Premier Mackenzie King replied that his Government did not intend to take action at least until other nations had "united in a policy of non-intervention."

WORLD

The Soviet Union plans to build a big navy to meet Japan's threat, it is reported from Moscow.

Australia's 1937-38 wheat crop is now estimated at 170,031,000 bushels, as compared with 150,468,000 the previous season.

Spanish Government forces north of Teruel are now regaining ground taken by the rebels in a recent surprise offensive, Madrid reports.

The suggestion that the 1940 Olympic Games be boycotted if they are held in Tokyo caused a stormy session of the British Olympic Association.

The Unionist Government of Northern Ireland was returned to power by last week's elections with 39 seats in a House of 52—a gain of two seats.

U. S. relief rolls are reported the highest in two years. Recently President Roosevelt asked Congress to vote an additional \$250,000,000 for relief work.

Thirty-two vessels in various classifications were added to the British navy during 1937, and sixty more will join the force this year, the second of a five-year program during which \$7,500,000,000 will be spent.

Following the replacement by Hitler of the former War Minister and Chief of Staff of the German Army, more than sixty leading junkers in the army have resigned or been dismissed, their places being filled by Nazis.

Negotiations for a new Anglo-American trade treaty will be carried on in Washington by a party of British trade experts, who sailed Wednesday on the *Queen Mary*. Work on the Canadian-American agreement has already been carried on for some time.

The new British naval base at Singapore was formally opened on Monday in the presence of representatives of the United States, France, the Netherlands, India, Australia, New Zealand, Borneo, Sarawak, Hong Kong and Ceylon. The drydock is the second largest in the world; and the construction of the whole naval and air base cost nearly \$90,000,000.

Several Europeans were among nearly a thousand persons who were killed when Japanese bombs turned the city of Changchow into a shambles. The fiercest fighting of the war has been raging along the Lunghai Railway; Japanese are striving to link up territories they have conquered to the north and south, and a Chinese army of 140,000 is defending the railway desperately.

A report was denied, early this week, that the new Rumanian Government, headed by Dr. Cristea, head of the Rumanian Orthodox Church, would give way to one formed by ex-Premier Taterescu. The Cristea Government took over following the sudden resignation of the anti-Semitic dictator Goga, who has fled the country. Premier Cristea has also been given dictatorial powers by King Carol.

Venomous attacks on Foreign Secretary Eden, in the Italian press were followed it would seem almost "obediently" by suggestions in the *Rothermere* and *Beaverbrook* papers in England that he should resign. One of the Italian newspapers is indignant because "thousands of our legionnaires have fallen in Spain because of weapons and men furnished Spanish Communists by Britain, France and Russia." Eden has made some attempts to persuade Mussolini to withdraw from the Spanish conflict.

Blockade Threatened



Unless "pirates" immediately cease attacks on British shipping, the royal navy will block the Balearic Islands, Foreign Secretary Eden has warned. Such a blockade has virtually been established around insurgent-held Majorca.

TO CENSOR MAIL

SHANGHAI, Feb. 16th. — Post office authorities have been notified that Japanese censors will move into the post office shortly.

URGES PUBLIC CONTROL

REGINA, Feb. 16th. — H. H. Kamper, C.C.F., moved a resolution in the Legislature today that the Bank of Canada should control the issue both of currency and credit and that it should be publicly owned.

MOSCOW, Feb. 16th.—Two ice-breakers are now within 12 and 14 miles of the Russian scientists floating on an icefloe off the coast of Greenland; an attempt yesterday to reach them by aeroplane failed because of poor visibility.

The U.S. Government will in future purchase less gold, it is announced, changing its policy of "sterilizing" gold. The new policy will lessen the rate of growth of the national debt and is also expected to check the fall of commodity prices.

Dockers at Middlesbrough, England, refused to load scrap iron and pig-iron into a vessel bound for Japan recently. The vessel sailed without the iron. They followed the example of Southampton dockers who declined to unload a Japanese vessel, forcing it to carry its cargo back to Canada.

Severe fighting has taken place at intervals during the past year between British troops and Indian tribesmen in the country between India proper and Afghanistan. Several of the tribes have now been subdued and fines are being imposed upon them and they are being required to give up their rifles.

Claiming that the Dearborn city ordinance against distribution of pamphlets is unconstitutional, the automobile workers' union will carry to the highest American courts, if necessary, trials now proceeding in which union men are charged with passing out literature at the gates of the Ford plant.

Crash of Germany's largest transport aeroplane cost two lives; others of the crew escaped in parachutes.

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TORONTO, Ont.—“In the history of the war in which we live,” reads a message received from Madrid, headquarters of Dr. Bethune's Canadian Blood Transfusion Service, by the Canadian Committee to Aid Spanish Democracy, “the generous aid of the Canadians in the organization of the service of transfusion to the fronts will be remembered. The Canadian Service of Transfusion will be cited as a model of organization which gave to our wounded the means of obtaining such important therapeutic aid in the most advanced hospitals.

“Women and children, no closer to the lines of fighting than the streets of their city, have been the victims of bombs and shells which Fascist military ‘geniuses’ believe can break the spirit of the people and persuade them to welcome slavery. Blood transfusions have rescued some of these.”

CORRESPONDENCE

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for the greatest good to the greatest number.

If we accept the power of reason as the greatest asset man possesses over all other animals, will this power finally lead to all thinking alike or to the other extreme of all thinking differently.

If the latter should prevail, then democracy will have to make way for Equitism, allowing all equal freedom with a voluntary chosen police force to see no one trespasses on the rights of others.

In conclusion I would recommend all those who have not read W. E. Brokaw's book, “EQUITISM and How to Create It,” to do so. Where people are equally free some cannot rule others; and the sole political function is to maintain equity.

Yours truly,

B. C. LEES.

POSITION OF U.F.A.

Rumsey, Alta.

Editor, *The Western Farm Leader*:

Perhaps it will not be out of place to offer a few comments on the present situation as it affects the U.F.A.

Before the Convention many of us hoped there would be a final decision regarding the future policy of the organization in politics. The U.F.A. had a leading role in organization of the C.C.F. and many of us hoped we had found a connecting link that would unite all classes with similar views. Admittedly we were quite successful in the Federal field, but we must admit there was not that co-operation and unity so necessary, in Provincial Government.

As a member of the U.F.A., I am of the opinion the major fault was with our organization. When we first formed a Government in Alberta there was an attempt to co-operate with Labor. They had a representative in the Cabinet, and we exchanged views at our convention and meetings and in various other ways.

In Latter Years

During the latter years of the U.F.A. Government there was no attempt at unity. Not only that, but with the force of numbers, nearly all the legislation sponsored by the labor group was voted down. The situation became so tense that the U.F.A. had but a handful of real progressive minded members in the Assembly. Your readers will readily know who they were, as they were about all who ever took a seat in our Conventions or whose voice was heard on the various resolutions under discussion.

More than that, had the U.F.A. Government taken heed of some of those resolutions passed by our Con-

Broke Up Opium Ring



Mrs. Elizabeth Smith Friedman has so few fears of the underworld she refuses a bodyguard. The U.S. government's only psychoanalyst, she has enabled the Canadian government to smash a west coast opium ring by deciphering code messages to and from the Orient.

ventions, we would not have had one party returned at the last election with 56 members out of 63, with 56 per cent of the total vote. I refer to a change of the electoral system as we now have it, to one like they have in the cities of Edmonton, Calgary, where any minority group with sufficient voting strength can gain representation in the Legislature.

In this review do not think I am unmindful of the measures benefitting the people as a whole and agriculture in particular enacted by our Government while in office, or their very able administration of public affairs during very difficult and trying years. This review is but the attempt to reveal some of its weaknesses and perhaps learn some lessons for the future. I should like later to endeavor to appraise the present and future of our Organization.

L. M. AKER.

Rumsey, Alberta.

CREATING ANTAGONISM

Castor, Alta.

Editor, *The Western Farm Leader*:

The *Farm and Ranch Review* having failed to publish the following letter submitted to them on October 12th, I would appreciate space in *The Western Farm Leader* in order that the matter be brought to the attention of your readers.

“Editor, *The Farm and Ranch Review*, Calgary. Dear Sir:

“In your last issue you have made a blanket charge against the ‘cures’ of witch doctors. I would like to suggest to you courteously, that you should carefully examine your own ‘cure.’ Some important defects may become apparent, and unexpected consequences follow its immoderate advocacy.

“If I get your idea correctly, it is that depressions in agricultural price levels can be prevented or at least neutralized by reductions of wages of ‘urban groups.’

“There is a mountain of evidence to show that such savings would not be passed on to farmers.

“Note the price of textiles, and wages in that industry according to the Stevens' Price Spreads Commission, or look at any country in the world where wages are at or below a subsistence level, and it is found that agriculturists are also in a condition of hopeless poverty.

“Further, it is very doubtful if the combined efforts of all the farm journals in Canada could effect any reduction in industrial wage levels.

Merely Creates Antagonism

“The net result, therefore, of this propaganda of yours will be only to

increase the antagonism between Labor and Farmers without even any prospect of temporary benefit to farmers, and to make still more difficult the task of developing consumer co-operation which to achieve success in this country must obtain the goodwill and support of urban as well as rural people.

“I am looking to consumer co-operation as possibly one of the best means at hand to provide a measure of relief for ourselves in the near future. Does it not appear to you to be illogical that while with one hand you are assisting to lay the foundations for this work, with the other you are stirring up ill-feeling which can only delay its progress?”

Yours truly,

H. H. TURNER.

COMMENT FROM B.C.

Midway, B.C.,
November 30th, 1937

Editor, *The Western Farm Leader*:

I see in *The Western Farm Leader* in the news columns, that the Federal Government has ordered all farmers who have insufficient fodder for their horses this winter to reduce their horses down to 8 head and milk cows down to 4 head.

Nobody but an imbecile or a fascist would issue such a rotten order. It has been apparent to lots of people in Canada for years, that the Government of Canada has been trying to bring the status of the farmer and labor population of Canada down to that of peasants or serfs, as in fascist countries, and sure recent elections in Canada prove that is what farmer and labor want.

One and Same Gang

Of all the ignorant uses of the franchise for farmer or labor to vote Liberal or Conservative is the most reprehensible. As they are one and the same gang. It seems to me that

the majority of the farmer and labor voters are too ignorant to vote; as it's evident they don't know enough to vote for their own interests.

FRANK T. THOMPSON,
Cattleman.

YOUTH TRAINING SCHEME

Hardisty, Alta.

Editor, *The Western Farm Leader*:

Your timely suggestion that something should be done to end the discrimination against Farm Youth under the Youth Training Scheme will, I think, meet with the approval of most people.

Just why do governments try to blanket all agricultural problems in such a way as to keep farm people to the farm whereas there are many misfits just as in other walks of life?

If conditions of farm life are bettered in more just returns for what we produce, there is no question in my mind that people would be glad to stay on the farm. I hope you will be instrumental in keeping this matter to the fore.

I would also like to take this opportunity of showing my appreciation of the many letters of viewpoints in respect to U.F.A. political action. Among those expressions I particularly noticed that one of A. L. Danielson of Czar in part of which he states the issue before us is Fascism versus Democracy and then goes on to explain that we should bear in mind that in instituting Fascism the method is to control and regiment agriculture and labor, the two instruments whereby the most wealth is created. This to my mind cannot be too strongly emphasized.

Yours truly,

W. B. MOULDER.

Villages and farms on the Thames River, Ontario, and its tributaries, have been flooded.

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THE QUESTION OF JOINT SESSIONS

Each Branch of Organization Should Have Benefit of Opinions of Men and Women When Important Issues to Be Decided

Warwick Farm,
Edgerton, Alberta.

Dear Farm Women:

And now we stay-at-homes are hearing of the Convention and hoping that out of the confusion of opinion and decision, eventually we shall arrive at the most effective method of working in the best interests of our Province and our Dominion.

Someone wrote me that the women who had been in separate session turned an important vote in one instance. Now, while I may have my own opinion, I certainly do not feel competent to pronounce that this decision so changed was a wise or an unwise move. I do, however, feel like emphasizing, as I have many, many times before, the necessity of the men and women meeting in common Convention to debate any important policy of our organization. True, it will make for longer debate and it does seem as though the debates were sufficiently prolonged at the present,

Time Limit for Speakers

However, at the present it often happens that a lot of time is wasted in allowing some speakers to prolong their remarks. There should, in my opinion, be a very definite curtailing of the length of time each speaker is allowed. If a person has a sufficiently strong conviction on a subject that it impels him to speak, he should be able to present his point or points in a very few minutes. At least if a man can not, a woman can and perhaps we might set a good example.

When important matters of policy are being discussed, each branch of our organization should have the benefit of the opinions of the speakers of both. Sometimes most important information or ideas are presented that may help clear up some hazy conceptions or may quite alter an opinion. It has always seemed to me we should attend these discussions not as men or women but as citizens. In addition some of the very worthwhile addresses given to the U.F.W.A. Convention might well be given to the Convention in full in the evenings.

There is a tendency to assume that women are interested in some subjects as health, education, etc., to a greater degree than the men, and if that is the case, it is high time the men's interest is aroused.

As I said, I have repeated this same comment again and again until I am sure some are tired of hearing it. I shall therefore change the subject completely to other thoughts and other days.

From "A Booklover's Corner"

Hon. Martin Burrell, the Librarian of the House of Commons, has conducted "A Booklover's Corner, Literature and Life" in the *Ottawa Journal* for many years. In a clipping that was sent me he comments on the Christmas cards he had received. One from friends in Rome, he remarks, came in the form of a letter written on Christmas Eve Anno Domini MDXIII (1513 A.D.) by Fra Giovanni to a certain noble countess, and he passes part of it on to his readers.

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Life is so full of meaning and of purpose, so full of beauty (beneath its covering) that you will find earth but cloaks your heaven. Courage then to claim it; that is all! But courage you have; and the knowledge that we are pilgrims

together, wending, through unknown country, home. And so, at this Christmas time, I greet you with the prayer that for you now and for ever, the day breaks and the shadows flee away."

The passage may contain a different thought for us all. But out of it all may you each get something that will help in these days of trouble and unrest and confusion.

Yours sincerely,

H. ZELLA SPENCER.

Activities of Farm Women's Locals

In the death of Mrs. E. J. Stanton recently, Turnip Lake has lost one of its most valued members, writes Miss Helen Breckenridge, secretary.

In spite of bad roads, the January meeting of Fairdonian Valley U.F.W.A. was very well attended. "The delegate gave a very interesting report of a lively convention, which was heartily enjoyed," writes Mrs. D. Hallum, secretary.

Fort Saskatchewan U.F.W.A. report that they had a very good year last year, most of the meetings being well attended. Raising funds is found to be an ever-present problem. They take up a ten cents collection each meeting, which is kept as a "gift fund" and used for flowers and fruit for the sick, and donations to charitable institutions. A silver tea, and sale of articles made from flour sacks, was held at one of the member's homes. They helped two boys to go to the Junior Conference. Last year's officers have been re-elected: Mrs. D. Roberts, Mrs. Wm. Faulkner, and Mrs. Fay Stetson.

"Keep Track of Last Move of Arch Criminals"

"One dollar herewith to renew our subscription to the paper we value and appreciate so highly. Our choice of premiums is maps. When life moves so swiftly over the globe, we like to, shall I say, try at least to keep track of where the last move of those arch criminals will lead us. May I take the liberty at this opportunity of wishing both Mrs. Smith and yourself every good wish for the coming season."—Mrs. H. C. Lund, Dowling.

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The interest in maps keeps on changing,

According to what's in the news.—
Today around China I'm ranging,
Or through Spanish waters I cruise.

O'er Moscow and Paris I linger!
O'er London and Rome and Berlin!
Where one day the lift of a finger
New wars may begin!

But often quite idly I wander
On maps on the cold afternoons.
Far peoples and places I ponder,
And loiter by palm-fringed lagoons.

I find a map helps to divert a
Tried mind from its own petty sphere,

But brings one back home to Alberta,
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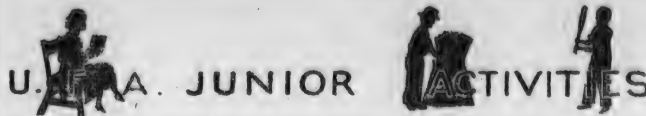
Honey Sandwich Fillings: Honey and peanut butter mixed together in equal quantities; finely chopped nut meats, with honey and mayonnaise; enough honey mixed with cream cheese or grated hard cheese to spread easily; 2 tablespoons each chopped dates, nuts, and preserved ginger with enough honey and creamed butter to make an easily spread mixture.

Soft Gingerbread: Cream thoroughly together 3/4 cup each sugar and butter, mix well with 2 beaten eggs and 1 cup of corn syrup (which has been warmed and mixed with 2 teaspoons ginger, 2 teaspoons cinnamon and a very little nutmeg). Add enough flour to make a soft batter—about 2-3/4 cups; dissolve 1 teaspoon soda in 2 tablespoons hot water and stir in; pour the batter into a shallow tin and bake about 45 minutes in a slow oven.

Curried Vegetables: Good for supper, or a meatless dinner. Cut into small pieces and boil together in as little water as possible several potatoes, an onion, a carrot, a piece of cabbage or turnip. When cooked, add half a cupful of any leftover canned vegetable. Mix 1 tablespoon curry powder, 2 of flour with 2 tablespoons melted butter or dripping, salt and pepper, add the water from the vegetables and boil up, adding milk or water to make the right consistency; pour over the hot vegetables.

Welsh Rarebit: 1 tablespoon butter, 1 tablespoon flour, 1 cup rich milk or thin cream, 2 cups grated cheese, 1/4 teaspoon salt, 1/8 teaspoon mustard, Few grains cayenne, 1 egg. Make a sauce of butter, flour and milk. Add grated cheese and seasonings. Pour some of hot sauce over beaten egg. Return to double boiler and cook a minute or two. Serve on toast.

Seasoned Beans: Wash well 1-1/4 cups beans and soak overnight; drain and add sufficient fresh water to cover. Add 3 tablespoons molasses, 1 tablespoon sugar, 1 small onion, 1/2 tablespoon mustard and 1 teaspoon salt. Simmer until the beans are tender but not broken, adding a little hot water from time to time if necessary.



Speaking Contest for Juniors in Acadia Is to Be Held This Year

Terms of Contest for Acadia Federal Constituency Outlined
by Jack Sutherland

Now established as one of the feature activities of the U.F.A. in the Acadia Federal Constituency, the Junior Public Speaking Contest for the current year has now been arranged by the constituency board. The contest will be held in Hanna at the time of the constituency convention.

In the past such contests have proved of widespread interest and value, and the young people who have taken part have derived both pleasure and advantage from them. Ability to speak and to think through to practicable solutions of farm problems has been developed among the young people and the contests are proving means of building up capacity which will be of great value to the whole farm community as the young people are called upon to take over in increasing measure responsibility in both organizational and public affairs.

Plans for the contest to be held this year are outlined by Jack Sutherland in the following message:

Dear Juniors in Acadia:

Now is the time that we start laying our plans for our Junior public speaking contest to be held at the Acadia Federal Convention, Hanna. Last year it was most successful and we hope you will all do your part to make it as successful as you can this year. You should start now by selecting your subject out of the following:

1. Resolved, that there should be a Junior Local of the U.F.A. in every community in the Province.
2. What are the aims and objectives of the C.C.F.?
3. Resolved, that there are great possibilities for the development of consumer co-operation within the ranks of the U.F.A.
4. Resolved, that present day youth are meeting the challenge for a new social order.
5. What a good garden can do to raise the standard of living on the farm.
6. First aid when accidents occur on the farm.
7. What we can do to combat the menace of grasshoppers, sawfly and cutworms.

Speakers are given ten minutes each. All contestants must notify me of their subject by June 15th. Age limit is 25 years. We will make the contest as fair as we can by discounting the older ones certain percentages. We will give prizes of silver and bronze medals and we hope certain cash prizes as well. Last year every contestant received small cash prizes.

Trusting that we will have a most successful meeting and that all will enjoy the work irrespective of whether you win a medal or not.

Yours sincerely,

JACK SUTHERLAND,
Secretary.

Willow Springs Juniors have selected "When Sally Comes to Town" as the play they will put on later in the season. Their officers this year are Aileen Rigney, George Morris and John Morris.

Arrowwood Junior Local was organized recently by Mrs. R. R. McBride, and she and Mrs. Stull were chosen as supervisors. Percy Stull is president and Shirley Ward secretary.

HANDICRAFTS CONTEST

Guild Makes Announcement of Group Competition for University Week

Particulars of the group handicrafts competition, sponsored by the Alberta Branch of the Canadian Handicrafts' Guild, to be held in connection with the University Week for Farm Young People, are now available. Copies are being mailed to the secretaries of Junior U.F.A. Locals; and further copies may be secured from the U.F.A. Central Office.

Any Junior Local or other young people's organization may compete; and it is also arranged that competitors not members of any organization may send individual pieces.

The classes of work eligible include basketry, carpentry, vegetable dyeing, embroidery, furcraft, gloving, knitting, leatherwork, lettering, metal work, patchwork or applique, plain sewing, quilting, raffia, rope work, rug-making, rush and sedge work, slippers, smocking, soft furnishing, stitchery on canvas, spinning, toys, upholstery, weaving and wood carving. Articles eligible in the various classes, and other conditions, are included in the detailed regulations.

Prizes will be awarded at the annual banquet held during University Week; and, as in previous years, the entries will be displayed for the delegates and visitors to see.

Public Ownership

Urged by Governor

Purchase of anthracite coal mines by the U.S. Government, and lease to operators, was urged by Governor Earle of Pennsylvania as the only solution of the coal problem of that State. He said the coal barons had written up valuations from \$123 to \$456 millions, on which it was impossible to show a profit.

Helps China Relief



Lai Yen Mark, above, and eleven other charming young Chinese-Canadian girls, took part last Saturday in a Toronto fashion show sponsored by Chinese residents, when large sums were raised for war relief. The Chinese in Canada are themselves dispensing with every luxury and necessities in many cases in order to aid their ravaged country, and are receiving assistance from the Canadian public. In Alberta substantial sums were raised this month by the Canadian League for Peace and Democracy at meetings in Calgary, Edmonton, Lethbridge and Drumheller. In the picture Miss Mark is shown holding a feather fan such as the Chinese have been making since the Tenth Century.

"Sometimes," confided Mrs. Longwed to her intimate friend, "I think my husband is the patientest, gentlest, best natured soul that ever lived, and sometimes I think it's just laziness."

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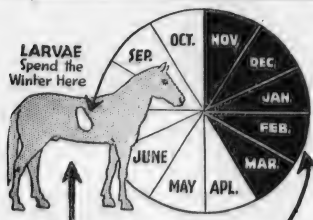
CALGARY STOCKYARDS, Feb. 15th, 1938—The cattle market is somewhat stronger due to light receipts. Good butcher steers are \$4 to \$4.25, common to medium \$2.75 to \$3.75; good to choice heifers \$3.75 to \$4.25, common to medium \$2.50 to \$3.50. Good fed calves are \$4.25 to \$4.50; good cows \$2.75 to \$3; good bulls \$2.75 to \$3.25. Good to choice veal calves are quoted at \$6.50 to \$8. Hogs are higher with selects \$8.75, bacon \$8.25 and butchers \$7.75, off trucks. Lambs were steady at \$6 to \$6.35.

EDMONTON STOCKYARDS, Feb. 15th, 1938.—The cattle market has been a little more active, with prices on the whole showing a somewhat stronger tone. Good to choice steers are quoted at \$4 to \$4.50, common to medium \$2.50 to \$3.75; good butcher heifers \$3.25 to \$4; good cows \$2.75 to \$3; canners and cutters \$1.25 to \$1.75; bulls \$2.50 to \$3. The general run of good stocker and feeder steers are from \$3 to \$3.25. Good to choice calves are \$6.50 to \$7.50. The hog market remains fairly steady with selects at \$8.75, bacon \$8.25 and butchers \$7.75 off trucks. Good lambs are quoted at \$6.50 down, yearlings \$4 down and ewes \$3.25 down.

MAGISTRATE RE-INSTATED
VEGREVILLE, Feb. 16th.—Magistrate Gore-Hickman has been re-instated, following protests of the Canadian Legion against his dismissal by the Provincial Government.

Governor La Follette of Wisconsin has proclaimed the present week as "Wisconsin Co-operative Week." More than seventy broadcasts have been given during the week by leaders in the co-operative movement.

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The Wheat Situation

So much importance is placed upon the influence of the United States winter wheat crop in the world wheat situation, that threats of rain there cause immediate and drastic price declines. As most people know, the moisture has been deficient throughout the midwestern United States during the present winter. This is particularly true of the surplus producing areas (western Kansas, Nebraska, Oklahoma and the Texas Panhandle.) Just recently some moisture fell and more is promised. If there is sufficient moisture from now until spring a pretty good crop will be assured. A good crop there assures an abundance of wheat for world needs.

The price decline on Tuesday was due to reports of rain and snow in the middle west. This decline occurred in the face of substantial exports of Canadian wheat (around 400,000 bushel sales being effected).

The importing nations are not particularly concerned over any wheat shortage this year. The world supplies are not large but the demands from wheat deficient nations are also small.

Cairns, of the Wheat Advisory Committee (London, Eng.) reports that world acreage is so high another period of large surpluses is inevitable. Consumption has not increased as fast as acreage and continental European nations are persisting in encouraging greater domestic production of wheat.

Further Accommodation for Export Cattle

OTTAWA, Feb. 16th.—Further ship accommodation for the export of Canadian cattle to the United Kingdom will be made available, Miss Agnes Macphail, M.P., U.F.O. member for East Grey, was informed when she asked a question on the subject in the House of Commons today. The Minister of Trade and Commerce and the Minister of Agriculture are attending to the matter, she was told.

Milk and Cream Producers Elect Officers

An important meeting of the Alberta Milk and Cream Producers Association was held in Edmonton last week. Events included a banquet addressed by Hon. Mr. Mullen, Minister of Agriculture, Russell Love, and Charles Linder, chief milk supervisor of the Utilities Board.

Officers were elected as follows: President, Charles Perry, Lethbridge; vice-president Roy Marler, Bremner; managing director, R. H. M. Bailey, Edmonton; Fred McCalla, secretary-treasurer; directors, J. Beynon, Cochrane, O. Short, Calgary.

of summer butter; the sweepstakes highest individual cup for highest individual scoring exhibit was won by Burns' Edmonton creamery, and the Alberta silver cup to the Provincial creamery having scored highest aggregate in summer exhibitions and winter fairs of 1937 was won by the Northern Alberta Dairy Pool, Wetaskiwin.

Among speakers at the Convention were J. R. Love, Allan C. Fraser, secretary manager of the National Dairy Council, and H. A. Craig, Alberta Deputy Minister of Agriculture, who presented the prizes.

W. Jackson, of Innisfail, was elected president for the coming year, E. Elwell of Blackfalds vice-president, with D. Morkeberg, Markerville, second vice-president and Mr. Sweeney secretary-treasurer.

Producers' Section

Officers for the Producers' Section were elected as follows: President, H. Elwell; vice-president, A. A. Burnham, Viking; secretary, James D. Ritchie, South Edmonton; directors, K. A. Cameron, Stettler; T. H. Howes, Millet; Joseph Standish, Midnapore.

Veterinary Questions and Answers

Questions on the care of animals in illness will be answered in this column from issue to issue by a graduate veterinarian with 25 years' experience in practice in Alberta. Every paid-up subscriber to The Western Farm Leader is entitled to have a question answered. The subscription is One Dollar per year.

Warts on Chin and Lips

Strathmore—Colt has a cluster of warts on chin and lips. What treatment do you advise?

Answer—Apply castor oil once or twice daily and give a dessertspoonful of Fowler's Solution of Arsenic twice daily.

Sleeping Sickness in Horses

Hanna—What is the cause of sleeping sickness in horses?

Answer—Encephalomyelitis, or sleeping sickness, is an infectious disease caused by a virus.

Horse Lacks Pep

Trochu—Have a horse that seems to be getting thin and has no pep, although he is getting good feed.

Answer—Would advise having his teeth attended to and treat for worms.

Poll Evil

Claresholm—One of my horses has a large swelling on top of head, which seems to be getting larger. Seems to be painful. What can I do for it?

Answer—This is Poll Evil which is caused by an injury. Would advise you to consult your Veterinary as an operation is the only treatment.

Co-ops Supply 24 per Cent of U.S. Butter

Farmers' co-operatives have supplied 24 per cent of the butter produced in the United States in recent years, an investigation by "scouts" of the Consumers' Guide of Washington, D.C., showed. Eleven dairy companies and ten meat packers sold almost half the total production, or 796 million pounds.

Sun Life Reports Show Large Expansion

Financial statements of the Sun Life of Canada—the Dominion's largest life insurance company—show that the assurance in force of the company increased from some \$111,000,000 in 1907 to \$2,896,589,103 last year. In the same 30-year period payments to policyholders increased from some \$2,393,000 to over \$76,000,000; and the company's assets from \$26,488,000 to over \$831,000,000.

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Loosening-up of Fodder Rules Is Mullen's Promise

Grave Situation in Drought Areas
Subject of Representations by
Norman Priestley

Loosening up of regulations which have made it difficult for any farmer or group of farmers in the drought areas who have kept off relief to buy feed even where they have been able by dint of great sacrifice by themselves and their families to scrape money together for such purchases, was promised by Hon. D. B. Mullen, Provincial Minister of Agriculture, last week, following strong representations upon the subject made to him by the United Farmers of Alberta. Mr. Mullen's announcement was made in an interview with the press.

Desperate Situation

Development of a desperate feed situation, brought to a crisis by recent heavy snowfall, was called to the attention of both Dominion and Provincial authorities by Norman F. Priestley, Vice-President, acting for the Association, on February 7th and following days. Reports received by the U.F.A. Central Office had indicated that the depth of snow covering large sections of the drought areas was greater than for many years past (snowfalls of the past few days have of course greatly intensified the farmers' immediate problem).

Reports indicated that in the Hand Hills, Acadia and Coronation constituencies the snowfall has been especially heavy. Snow which fell early in the season melted down, and was encrusted by the mild weather of January, and then covered by further heavy falls. Snowfalls of about 40 inches since the beginning of winter are reported from some districts.

The acute situation for large numbers of farmers has arisen as a result of the policy of Federal and Provincial Governments, of restricting fodder relief to those farmers only who would reduce their holdings of horses and cattle to a maximum of four and eight respectively. The situation is most grave for those farmers who were endeavoring to carry more than this maximum through the winter.

Wires Ministers

In view of these conditions, Mr. Priestley wired Hon. J. G. Gardiner, Dominion Minister of Agriculture and Hon. D. B. Mullen, as follows:

"Handhills area, U.F.A. Locals and Agricultural Improvement Associations report deep snow making feed situation desperate. Quantities being supplied stated quite inadequate. Many unable to get any feed. Prospects heavy stock losses now on. Estimated forty to fifty thousand tons straw available Munson-Big Valley area less than sixty miles away. No feed moving from that area. Strongly urge immediate action."

Copies of this wire were forwarded by letter to Prime Minister W. L. Mackenzie King and Premier William Aberhart, also to all members of the Legislature and Parliament in the districts affected.

Hon. J. G. Gardiner replied promptly: "With reference to your telegram. Any action would have to be taken through Provincial Authorities. Take matter up with them immediately. James G. Gardiner."

Mr. Mullen's Letter

Hon. D. B. Mullen wrote: "We are requesting our local representative to report on the situation in the Handhills area as it would appear that

Lunney Report Asked for in Legislature

EDMONTON, Feb. 16th.—It's no secret that before the House session is very old the question of Judge Lunney's report on the investigation into Hon. Mr. Fallow's highways department will be thrown into the pit. J. J. Bowlen, Liberal, Calgary, whose persistent questioning regarding highway building costs finally brought on an order last session for the inquiry, asked in the chamber Friday when the report of Judge Lunney would be tabled.

More than one Government supporter has stated privately that they are prepared to deal with the report on the floor of the House if satisfaction is not obtained through the caucus. Meanwhile Hon. Mr. Fallow appears to be unperturbed about the situation and is preparing to pilot his year's public works estimates and highway building appropriations through committee, when the time comes.

Mr. Bowlen also submitted queries, first of the session, as to what members of the Legislature received special allowances in addition to sessional indemnities during the last year, and what sums were paid, also what amount was paid to G. F. Powell.

HOLD JOINT MEETING

Lethbridge U.F.A. and U.F.W.A. held a joint meeting, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Dunham, to hear Convention reports; as the meeting was held on the regular meeting night of C.C.F. Club No. 2, Club members were also invited to attend. Mrs. D. A. Anderson was chairman, and gave her report as delegate, which, together with talks by Mrs. A. M. Peters, W. W. Scott and Andrew Smeaton, were heard with close attention. Later, refreshments were served.

issues of feed to applicants in that district have been sufficient to maintain the livestock, provided information given on applications that the number of livestock being retained is correct. I understand there has been considerable demand lately by cash purchasers for feed, and this demand is naturally a difficult one to provide for out of relief supplies.

"I have noted your remarks in connection with straw for sale in the Munson and Big Valley area. I do not wish to purchase any large amount of wheat straw at this period of the year, as it is difficult to distribute same. However, we are in the market for a limited amount and would greatly appreciate the names of farmers in that district who are offering straw for sale and who are prepared to bale and deliver same at an early date. I would appreciate having this information sent directly to the relief branch of this Department in order that purchases may be made."

Letters were immediately sent out from the U.F.A. office to all U.F.A. Locals in districts immediately west of the area affected, quoting from Mr. Mullen's letter and asking farmers in those districts who were in a position to supply baled straw to immediately communicate with the Department.

Difficult Feature

As we have already indicated above, one difficult feature of the situation is that many men who have kept off relief, being unwilling to comply with the order for drastic reduction of stock feeling that they would thereby be sacrificing almost their only hope for the future, now find the supply of Russian thistle and other coarse fodder which they had accumulated totally insufficient to carry their stock through the winter.

It is to be hoped that the loosening up which Mr. Mullen has promised will take place without delay.

A storm on the coast of California, and floods inland cost fourteen lives last week.



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AMENDMENT DEFEATED

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contained 70 per cent of the wheat lands of the Province. He traced the spread of this vast dry area as settlement reduced the insulation of the soil and evaporation increased to make crop production more difficult. Rivers no longer had the same water flow and no matter what government was in power during the next 25 years the problem would have to be dealt with at every session of the Legislature.

Aspects of Drought Area Problem

Palliatives had been resorted to by governments, with settlers moved out and feed moved in. Settlers, however, could not be removed from 70 per cent of the wheat producing area of the Province. Mr. Gray said he was not worried about the country south of the Red Deer river, for irrigation and other methods had been taken to cope with the problem. Life for instance was more stable at Brooks than at Stettler, Coronation and Sedgewick. \$50,000,000 had been spent south of the Red Deer in drought area work; he would not be surprised if the same amount would not have to be spent north of the Red Deer. Soil insulation must be restored, original conditions renewed, artificial water storage carried out, regrassing, reforestation and water conservation would have to be undertaken. It was a task requiring the combined efforts and co-operation of both Provincial and Federal Governments. A good government should leave agriculture in a better state than it found it.

Mr. Gray dealt at some length with the forestry industry. Forests should be farmed in Alberta as farm lands were farmed, for Alberta's timber would be of growing value as resources in other places decreased. Regret was expressed, too, that the government program made no reference to hail and crop insurance. It was tragic that an organization such as the Provincial Hail Insurance Board, carrying risks of nearly \$15,000,000 in 1927, should be out of business in 1937. Cheaper money for farmers also had been ignored in the speech from the throne. The Canadian Farm Loan Board last year only advanced about one-fourth the funds in Alberta that it loaned farmers in Quebec, he noted. In that old Province the Provincial Government made a contribution for the administration of the act and the interest rate to farmers was thereby greatly reduced.

Fifth main omission in the government's program for the session was that of a policy of public debt refunding, Mr. Gray charged. At a time when other Provincial Governments were moving for and obtaining lower rates of interest and thereby reducing taxation, Alberta was taking no steps to secure these advantages.

The anti-lynching bill was killed in the U.S. Senate by filibuster on the part of Senators from Southern States.

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Convention Decisions

The recent U.F.A. Convention: Asked Provincial and Dominion Governments "to co-operate to the end that adequate supplies of feed, fuel oil relief and seed be supplied to those in need in the drought areas in the proper time," adding "particularly do we stress the fact that seed for the 1938 crop season should be supplied in the winter months and not after the seeding commences, as was the case in 1937."

Asked the Provincial Government to take the initiative in arranging for plebiscites on the formation of health units.

Asked the Provincial Government to obtain free freight on feed in the drought areas.

Asked Federal Government to study the U.S. report on all-risk crop insurance, and to implement the scheme if found practicable.

Following representations made by the mayors of Edmonton and Calgary, Hon. W. W. Cross announced that the Provincial Government would bring in legislation providing that relief recipients must have had two years' residence in the municipality paying the relief. He also promised consideration of the mayors' request that legal actions against municipalities for failing to provide relief must be approved by the Attorney-General.



By SYDNEY MAY

Hello, Folks!

Postcard from Susie Sunshine declares you don't have to part with happiness by giving it to someone else.

And maybe that's why Pats Parker of CJCJ is always bubbling over with good cheer.

ISN'T IT THE TRUTH

Postcard from Cynical Gus states that wisdom is only another name for what other people don't know.

According to an English doctor, we are living "far too rushing lives." Yep, in these days if a guy even stops to think some other fellow passes him.

TODAY'S BRIGHT THOUGHT

Often a strong conviction proves a man's weakness.

Communication from the Bad Egg of Crow's Nest opines that this column should give the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation a rest. We have. We've chucked out the radio.

Things may be improving elsewhere, but somehow in Alberta, prosperity seems to be able to keep just one jump ahead of Hope's eternal spring.

VALENTINE SENTIMENT

(Requested by M. R., Trail, B.C.)

*A fairy band came from afar
And fashioned you just as you are.*

*They took from the wealth of the
skies
The tint when they painted your
eyes.*

*They caught in the summer sun's
glare
A gleam, and they fashioned your
hair.*

*Taken down 'neath the billowy
whirls
They sought the most wonderful
pearls*

*Which they dropped like the
morning dew drips,
Tenderly under your lips,*

*That first from the blush of the
rose
They had planted right under
your nose.*

*They took from the sea shining
clear,
Twin shells, and they modelled
each ear.*

*Yes, it was a beautiful plan,
But they gave you to some other
man.*

And just to be in fashion we beg to remind our readers that the temperature right now in Calgary is 104 degrees above zero through the courtesy of Dr. Beefunny's pale pills for pink people.

And among those whose pipe dreams are always successful are the plumbers.

THIS IS TERRIBLE

Knotty Frankie dropped in yesterday to tell us that when a clock strikes it usually does right by its little Knell.

"Men," says a feminine writer in the New York Times, "would be always at sea if it weren't for the women." Yep, but if the men were always at sea how would the dear gals land 'em?

WAIL FROM WALLY

Most marriages, declares Wally our incurable bach, are as dull as dish water because wives know so little about dishwater.

We see where a speaker the other

SPORT

In a few days the senior hockey playoffs will be in progress in Alberta. The Calgary Rangers finished on top of the league and so play off with the fourth place team, which will either be the Olds Elks or the Drumheller Miners, and most likely the Elks. The Edmonton Dominions, who finished second, will play off with the third place team. Any one of these four teams has a very good chance to win. On the season's record the Rangers and Dominions should be slight favorites, but history has demonstrated that anything can happen in the playoffs.

Down in the Crow's Nest league the situation is somewhat similar. The favorite teams are: Kimberley Dynamiters, Trail Smokeaters and the Lethbridge Maple Leafs. The sports editor of the Lethbridge Herald is of the opinion that the Kimberley team is playing the best hockey in the league at the present time and if it maintains its present form will land on top.

I have a suspicion at the present time that whichever team wins in Alberta and British Columbia it will have a tough time overcoming the Saskatchewan champions. Reports from our eastern neighbor are to the effect that they have at least two teams of senior calibre. After seeing what North Battleford accomplished last year it won't do to discount Saskatchewan senior hockey this year.

In the international professional league the playoffs promise to produce some rousing hockey. The Toronto Maple Leafs have been wavering ever since Charlie Conacher decided to retire. They have a young team and obviously lack the stability that only veterans can impart. This same team is liable to go like a prairie fire in a short series such as the play-downs.

About the smartest team of them all is the New York Rangers. The

day regretted that one eighth of the people of Calgary are on relief. Heck, if that were Hollywood they'd be boasting about it.

MEAT FOR YOUR GRINDER

Beware of guys who boast that they are live wires; they may have shocking habits.

Chuck of Chuckawalla turned down a date with Li'l Goldilocks off office vamp. And now Goldie has gone all to pieces like the break up of a hard winter.

SOUP'S ON

Chicago woman is reported to have found a pearl in a restaurant oyster stew. She's lucky, we can never even find an oyster.

Postcard from J.T.A. of Lethbridge intimates that "success comes in cans - failure in can'ts."

Orchids to W. L. Brockington, C.B.C. chairman, for his recent radio address. Brock is one of the few speakers to whom, if we disagreed with every word he said, we should consider it a treat to listen.

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club with the most power looks to be the Boston Bruins. The Montreal Maroons have a rugged outfit which may close fast at the finish. The Canadians are shot with injuries and the Detroit Red Wings have faded in an astonishing manner.

It will soon be time for the big league baseball teams to travel south. Current news centers around the annual disputes between players and managements over salaries. Di Maggio, the Yankee rookie heralded as another Babe Ruth, has asked for \$40,000 and has been offered \$25,000. Gehrig has been offered the same as last year, namely, \$36,000, but he too wants a raise.

It looks now as though with Larry McPhail heading Brooklyn the Dodgers won't sell Mungo their fiery ball pitcher. McPhail is a dynamo of energy who will have his hands full in putting life into the Dodgers.

The Sydney (N.S.) Co-operative Society in the six months ending August 31st last did a grocery and meat business of over \$52,000, with an average gross profit on sales of 20.5 per cent.

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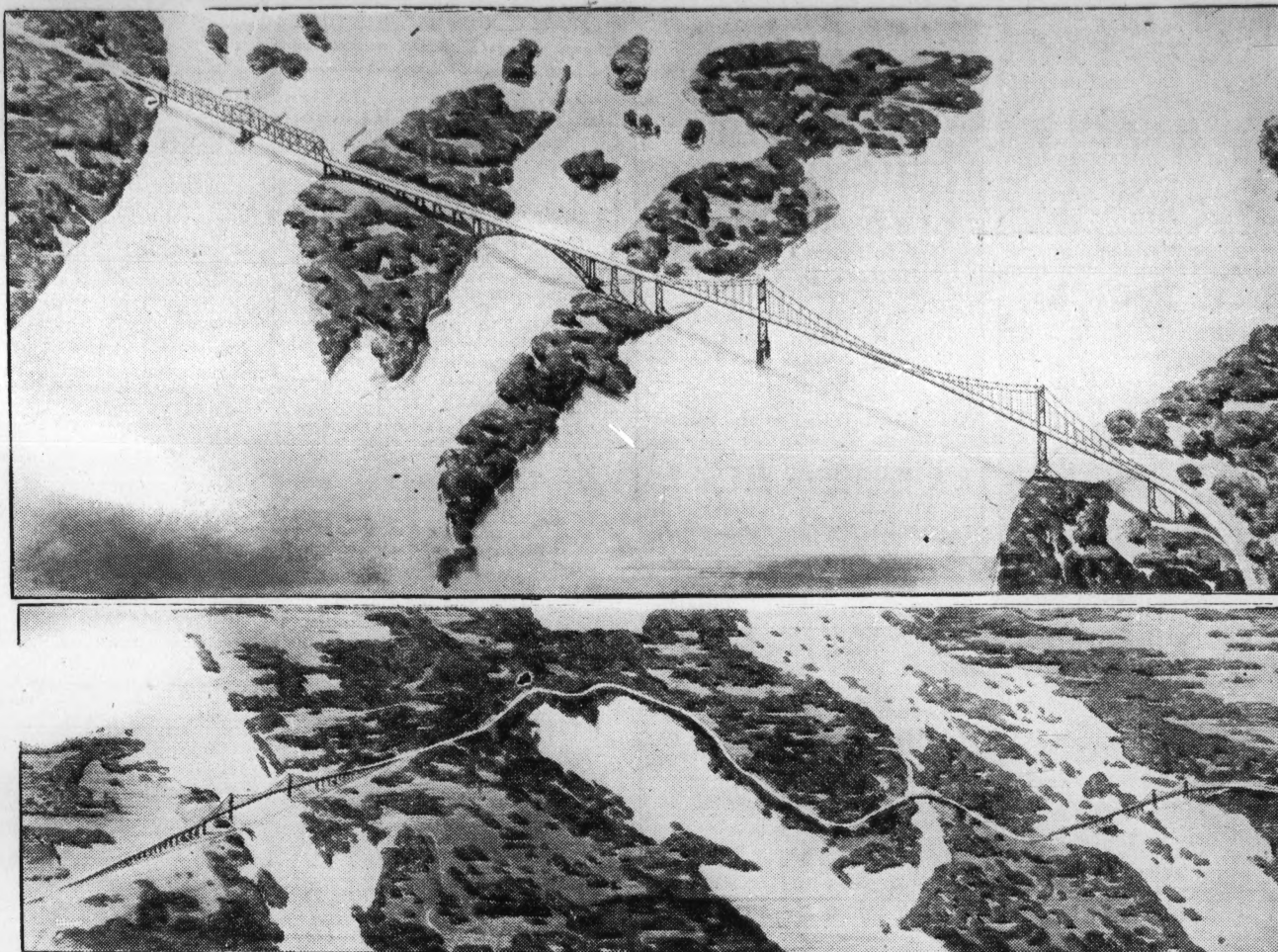
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the shortest route to New York from Montreal, Ottawa and Toronto. With the fare reduced to half the present ferry rate, it is estimated the bridge will pay for itself in 15 years. In the lower plan, the entire route from Canada (right), to the United States, appears with its three complete bridges. Across

Hill Island, largest in the river at this point, the Ontario Government will construct a 4,500-foot highway. The largest bridge which appears in the upper drawing, will rise 125 feet above high water mark. Cost is estimated at about three million dollars.

Lewis and Mrs. Roosevelt



Denounced by Premier Hepburn of Ontario and Premier Duplessis of Quebec as a "dangerous" radical, John L. Lewis, head of the C.I.O., enjoys the friendship of President Roosevelt and his family. In the picture he is shown chatting with Mrs. Roosevelt at the recent conference of the National Youth Administration in Washington, where she delivered an address. A short time previously Mr. Lewis had visited the First Lady's husband at the White House, and the occasion reportedly proved enjoyable to both.

Collective Farm Girl Becomes Deputy



For exceptional achievement as a collective farm worker, Maria Demchenko was given lessons to enable her to qualify as an entrant to the Kiev Agricultural Academy. Last December she was elected deputy to the new Russian Parliament to represent the district of Cherkassy in the Ukraine. The above picture was taken three years ago, when she received the Order of Lenin from Joseph Stalin (shown in the picture), for her work on the farm.